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Monument Announces Private Placement of up to \$80 Million

Vancouver, B.C., Monument Mining Limited (TSX-V: MMY and FSE: D7Q1) ("Monument" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has engaged a syndicate of agents, led by Mackie Research Capital Corporation ("MRCC") and including Salman Partners Inc. and other agents (collectively, the "Agents"), to complete a best-efforts private placement financing (the "Offering") of up to 160,000,000 common shares of the Company (the "Common Shares") at a price of \$0.50 per Common Share (the "Issue Price"), for aggregate gross proceeds of up to \$80,000,000.

The Company has granted the Agents an option (the "Over-Allotment Option") to increase the size of the Offering by up to an additional 15% in the number of Common Shares. The Over-Allotment Option shall be exercisable by the Agents by giving written notice thereof, or a part thereof, to the Company at any time up to 48 hours prior to the closing of the Offering. The Agents shall be under no obligation whatsoever to exercise the Over-Allotment Option, in whole or in part.

The Company intends to use the net proceeds from the Offering for the initial development of the Mengapur Polymetallic Project, and for general corporate purposes.

Robert F. Baldock, President and CEO of Monument, commented: "Since engaging MRCC as our exclusive financial advisor on November 14, 2012, we have worked closely with them to identify and select the best financing alternative which would allow us to develop our advanced-stage Mengapur Polymetallic Project. We are very pleased to announce this Offering as it marks the next step in MRCC's mandate and positions the Company for future growth."

The Company, working with MRCC, has been engaged in negotiations with certain Malaysian strategic entities who have expressed an interest in subscribing for a significant portion of the Offering. However, there can be no assurance that any such entities will ultimately participate in the Offering.

Monument intends to close the Offering in January 2013 (the "Closing"). The Common Shares issued pursuant to the Offering will be subject to a statutory four month and one day hold period. The Offering is subject to certain conditions including, but not limited to, the receipt of all necessary stock exchange and regulatory approvals, including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange.

In consideration for their services, the Agents will receive a cash commission of 7.0% of the gross proceeds of the Offering. In addition, the Agents will receive non-transferable share purchase options (the "Agent's Options") to purchase that number of Common Shares which is equal to 7.0% of the total number of Common Shares sold pursuant to the Offering, including any Common Shares sold pursuant to the exercise of the Over-Allotment Option, for a period of 24 months after Closing at the Issue Price. Commissions are subject to regulatory approval.

The proposed \$23.4 million private placement to Tulum Corporation as announced on October 17, 2012 is currently under review. As announced on August 7, 2012, the Company's application with respect to a \$70 million private placement to Tulum Corporation was withdrawn by the TSX Venture Exchange and will not be proceeding.

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About Monument

Monument Mining Limited (TSX-V:MMY, FSE:D7Q1) is an established Canadian gold producer that owns and operates the Selinsing Gold Mine in Malaysia, with production cash costs among the lowest in the world. Its experienced management team is committed to growth and is advancing several exploration and development projects in Malaysia, including the advanced-stage Mengapur Polymetallic Project. The Company employs 280 people in Malaysia and is committed to the highest standards of environmental management, social responsibility, and health and safety for its employees and neighboring communities.

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